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Media Advisory

Officer Michael Thornton Returns to Duty

Who: Chief William McManus

Officer Michael Thornton

When: Saturday, October 15th

8:00 p.m.

Where: Central Substation

515 S. Frio

What: Officer Michael Thornton returns to duty after suffering a catastrophic

injury when he was hit by a drunk driver in January of 2011. On January 22nd, Officer Thornton's leg was severed when he was hit by a vehicle

after stopping to assist a stranded motorist.

Video Op: Officer Thornton in roll call with his fellow officers.